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Prof. Lyman B. Kirkpatrick, Jr.

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Dear Professor Kirkpatrick,

Bill Colby asked me to thank you on his behalf for your thoughtfulness in sending us the monograph entitled "Defense Policies for the Seventies" which just arrived. The evening of 22 March must have been an interesting one. You certainly had an impressive group of participants addressing issues of importance to us all. The written record indicates that it was a very good and often stimulatingly provocative discussion which, incidentally, I think you chaired admirably.

You put your finger neatly on what really are the two key questions: What do we need and how much is enough? These are matters over which, as the discussion showed, well-informed and reasonable men will differ; but it behooves all of us in the national security field to keep remembering that these are the basic questions behind much if not most of our continuing work.

I enjoyed our recent conversation in Washington and look forward to another chance to talk with you when you visit us again. There are few people who can take pride in even one successful career; you are one of the rare people who have made great contributions and achieved well-merited distinction in two.

Once again, thank you for sending us the monograph. We would appreciate receiving copies of similar documents in the future if you hold other symposia, particularly ones as enlightening as this.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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